# First 5 Commission of San Diego

**Subject: Executive Director Signatory Authority** 

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# **Purpose**

To establish a policy authorizing the Executive Director to approve certain administrative expenditures on behalf of the First 5 Commission of San Diego ("Commission").

#### Background

The First 5 Commission of San Diego operates as an entity autonomous from the County of San Diego for the purposes of strategic planning and the allocation of revenue consistent with the Strategic Plan. In order to maintain that autonomy, the Executive Director of the Commission requires the authority to approve administrative expenses incurred in the day-to-day operations of the Commission.

In order for the Commission to conduct business in a more efficient and expeditious manner, it is necessary to develop a policy allowing the Commission to better perform its day-to-day operations in the reimbursement of certain Commission expenditures. This policy will ensure that the Commission is responsive in meeting its financial obligations in a timely manner, while still maintaining control and accountability over expenses incurred on behalf of Commission-related activities.

## **Policy**

The Executive Director, or his/her designee, shall have signatory authority to approve operational expenditures incurred on behalf of the Commission where funding has been allocated and approved by the Commission. This authority does not extend to expenditures specifically requiring Commission or Department of Purchasing and Contracting approval. The designation of signatory authority shall not apply to expenditures related to travel.

### **Procedures**

- 1. Funding for all service and supply expenditures incurred on behalf of the Commission shall be included in the Allocation Plan approved by the Commission.
- 2. In the processing of claims and payments to be made, the Executive Director, or designee, shall have signatory authority to approve those claims and payments made on behalf of the Commission. The designation of signatory authority shall not apply to expenditures related to travel.
- 3. Services and supplies to be procured by Commission staff and approved by the Executive Director, or designee, include Out-of County Travel and related expenses, Non-travel, In-County Travel, Professional & Specialized Services, and consultant contracts.
- 4. Services and supplies to be procured on behalf of the Commission in excess of \$5,000 shall require Commission approval prior to procuring the service or supply.

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